

(water carriers not subject to FMC jurisdiction with respect to transportation within the United States; and (ii) discuss and agree upon inland divisions of through rates within the United States.

(c) The parties are authorized to discuss, agree upon, and enter into joint contracts for the purchase of services and supplies not otherwise specific herein including, but not limited to, bunker fuel, vessel husbandry services, and but excluding tug services.

(d) Each party is authorized to appoint the other as its agent in all or a portion of the Trade. To the extent any such appointment is made in a portion of the Trade in which both parties operate, this Agreement shall be revised to reflect such appointment.

5.7 Commercial Cooperation.

(a) The parties are authorized to discuss and reach agreement on any and all aspects of: tariffs, service contracts, bills of lading, general rate and revenue levels, specific rates and charges, maintaining, increasing and decreasing rates and charges, service items, credit and collection practices and policies, classifications, and all other practices, terms, conditions, rules and regulations applicable to transportation of cargo in the Trade and to services provided in connection therewith, as well as arrangements with forwarders and brokers.

(b) The parties are authorized to negotiate, enter into, and amend joint service contracts. Nothing in this Agreement shall restrict the right of any parties to negotiate individual service contracts, nor is any party required to disclose negotiation of, or the terms and condition of, any individual service contract, other than those terms and